

# Cherry Creek Schools Foundation Community Champion Program A new way to partner







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The goal of the community champion program is to drive sustained success through focus and alignment with the Cherry Creek School District and community partners. Our schools and our students need you, now more than ever.

- Did you know Colorado ranks between 39<sup>th</sup> and 47<sup>th</sup> in education funding?
- Did you know the average teacher spends \$479 on classroom supplies?
- Did you know that a record number of CCSD students are struggling with anxiety, depression, suicidal thoughts, grief and trauma as a result of the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic?
- Did you know 29% of CCSD students qualify for free and reduced lunch and that number is growing?
- Did you know CCSD serves a diverse population over 108 square miles, 67 schools and 150 languages spoken.

Involvement and investment of valuable community members and businesses is a vital part of sustaining a thriving educational environment for our students and educators. Your financial support of our students and staff will help us recover and recover...together. I hope you will become a Community Champion and help us continue our legacy of excellence.

- Christopher Smith, Superintendent

### MAKE AN IMPACT AND GET RECOGNIZED

### **CONNECT WITH THE COMMUNITY!**

There is no more valuable investment in our community than creating a public education system that prepares our children for their future. The Cherry Creek Schools Foundation believes the strength of our community rests upon EVERY child in our schools graduating with a quality education that leads to a pathway of purpose. Our goal is to create partnerships in the community that provide opportunities to our students and staff and help our partners achieve their strategic goals simultaneously.

We know that Colorado does not sufficiently fund our schools and so our district must continually rely on partnerships to help support our schools. We know that COVID-19 has created a host of issues for our community that will impact our students and staff for years to come and your investment will help us recover.

The Foundation believes in the power of partnerships, and with industry and education all working together, we will create positive and sustained improvements in the areas of equity, innovation, opportunity gaps, social and emotional health and access to technology. To support our efforts, we've designed a program specifically for select corporate, civic and private foundation partners to provide the greatest return on your investment in our schools and our students.

We believe this unique opportunity will not only provide a way to soundly invest in programs and services that have the greatest impact in Cherry Creek Schools, but also gives us the opportunity to build a shared vision for our community's children together.

In addition to knowing you have provided valuable resources and experiences to our students and educators, we hope you also find benefits associated with our Community Champion program meaningful and will join us in supporting Cherry Creek Schools.

With gratitude,

Jill Henden, Executive Director







# **The CCSF Community Champion Program**

# What is a community champion?

The Cherry Creek Schools Foundation plays a pivotal role in improving the educational experiences of our children. Our programs and initiatives are focused on areas that have the most impact in and outside of the classroom and prepare our students for a pathway of purpose from preschool through graduation.

We are committed to providing our Community Champions an outstanding return on their investment by communicating to you the outcomes/impact our partnership has directly on the students and educators in the Cherry Creek School District. We are committed to working closely with our Community Champions to develop packages of custom-tailored recognition and opportunities that fit your specific interests and organizational goals, many which are not available through traditional marketing outlets.

### Foundation focus areas:

- Transform education through innovative support for teachers and classrooms (Classroom Grants)
- Engaging Community Partners (Partners in Action)
- Equity and Opportunity (programs that create access for EVERY student)
- Build Futures (Scholarships, , career exploration and workforce development programs)
- Mental Health Support for Students (Emergency Fund to create immediate access to care for students)
- COVID-19 Recovery (internet access, food assistance, school supplies, after-school and summer learning opportunities)

### Community Champion Levels-Make an Impact-Get Recognized-Connect with the Community

The select partner levels, with limited numbers available are: *Visionary, Impact, Innovate, Achieve, Opportunity, Advocate, and Ambassador.* Our partners benefit from the ability to plan and budget, as well as receive numerous recognition opportunities over a *12-month period*. Community Champions will also have first right of refusal as other opportunities arise and the ability to add on benefits throughout the year and work with us to determine a payment schedule.

Following are some of the highlights of the available recognition opportunities:

- Exclusive sponsorship of programs and campaigns
- Sponsorship recognition and benefits at premier events such as the Cherry Creek Schools Foundation/CCSD
  Educator of the Year Gala, Golf Tournament, Corporate Partner Breakfast, Cardboard Challenge and donor
  recognition events.
- Visibility and recognition in regular Foundation e-communication to community leaders, district leadership, educators and other constituents.
- Logo with link on the Cherry Creek Schools Foundation website
- Recognition in our yearly Impact report
- Invitations to exclusive events with key audiences

TO MAKE A COMMITMENT, PLEASE CONTACT JILL HENDEN, 720-554-4409 OR <a href="mailto:jhenden@cherrycreekschools.org">jhenden@cherrycreekschools.org</a>
OR FILL OUT THE ATTACHED FORM.







# **Events, Programs and Initiatives**

# Cherry Creek Schools Foundation/Cherry Creek School District Educator of the Year Gala - NEW! APRIL 21, 2022

This combined IN PERSON event will bring together 800 community and district leaders, educators and corporate partners. This year, we will pivot to a combined event that allows us to recognize our amazing teachers AND support the Foundation in a new, innovative format that allows for flexibility and increased networking opportunities, including a special reception for all Community Champions with district leadership. Our new venue, Infinity Park Event center will provide exciting new ways to recognize our Community Champions through their enhanced video capabilities.

### Cherry Creek Schools Foundation Golf Tournament - JUNE 10, 2022

We are excited to bring back our golf tournament to the Foundation's event schedule after a successful, sold out inaugural event last year. This will be a great way to network, enjoy the outdoors and play a fabulous course. This year's event will take place at The Ridge at Castle Pines.

### **Cardboard Challenge**

This event celebrates creativity, imagination and innovation. The event is free to all students and brings together thousands of parents, students and community members to view projects made out of cardboard and recycled materials. The event will be held in October 2022 and includes an opportunity for employees of our corporate champions to serve as judges for the event.

### **Classroom Grants**

The Foundation's signature program awards educators micro-grants of up to \$1,200 to creatively solve a problem, find new uses for technology or implement innovation in the classroom. This year, we awarded over \$110,000 in grants across the district.

## Partners in Action/Pathways of Purpose

This is a new Foundation initiative to connect our corporate champions to our students, educators and district leadership. We know that the combination of industry and education creates opportunities for our students and allows our corporate partners to share expertise and introduce our students to opportunities post-graduation. Examples include but are not limited to, guest lecturing, job shadowing, advisory boards, internships and apprenticeships. The Foundation will work closely with each corporate champion to develop unique vehicles for engagement. As a Community Champion, you will be invited to our Partners in Action breakfast at the Cherry Creek Innovation Campus in February, 2022.

AS THE FOUNDATION ADDS ADDITIONAL PROGRAMS AND EVENTS FOR 2022, COMMUNITY CHAMPIONS WILL RECEIVE BENEFITS AT THOSE EVENTS COMMENSURATE WITH THEIR ANNUAL COMMITMENT LEVEL.





### **OVERALL BENEFITS**

- Organization listed on Community Champion Wall of Honor in District Administration Building
- Organization listed in a prominent position on CCSF website
- Community Champion spotlight story in CCSF newsletter and in CCSF social media
- Invitations to special networking events
- Recognition in impact report
- Mention of sponsorship in district newsletter sent to all employees and families
- Recognition and passes at District athletic events (if applicable)

### ADDITIONAL RECOGNITION IN ALL FOUNDATION SOCIAL MEDIA AND EMAIL CAMPAIGNS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.

### **EVENT RECOGNITION**

### GALA/EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR

- Recognized as a presenting sponsor
- Exclusivity in your industry category
- Verbal and priority digital recognition during the main and pre-reception events
- Opportunity for 30 second video of your company (produced by company)
- Organization logo on all event materials and auction website
- Premium Reserved Seating for up to eight guests including table sign
- Six attendees at the pre-reception with district leadership

### **GOLF TOURNAMENT**

- Recognized as a presenting sponsor
- Exclusivity in your industry category
- Verbal and priority digital recognition at the event
- Organization logo on all event materials
- Two Foursomes
- Hole sponsorship
- Opportunity for a giveaway or promotional materials at event

### CARDBOARD CHALLENGE

- Recognized as a presenting sponsor
- Exclusivity in your industry category
- Verbal and priority digital recognition at the event
- Opportunity for 30 second video of your company (produced by company)
- Organization logo on all event materials
- Opportunity for a giveaway or promotional materials at the event

### **CLASSROOM GRANTS**

- Recognition as a supporter
- Opportunity to present checks at schools
- Seat on the review committee







# IMPACT CHAMPION-\$75,000-\$99,999

### **OVERALL BENEFITS**

- Organization listed on Community Champion Wall of Honor in District Administration Building
- Organization listed in a prominent position on CCSF website
- Community Champion spotlight story in CCSF newsletter and in CCSF social media
- Recognition in impact report
- Invitations to special networking events
- Mention of sponsorship in district newsletter sent to all employees and families

### ADDITIONAL RECOGNITION IN ALL FOUNDATION SOCIAL MEDIA AND EMAIL CAMPAIGNS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.

### **EVENT RECOGNITION**

### GALA/EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR

- Recognized as a diamond sponsor
- Verbal and priority digital recognition during the main and pre-reception event
- Opportunity for 30 second video of your company (produced by company)
- Organization logo on all event materials and auction website
- Premium Reserved Seating for up to eight guests including table sign
- Four attendees at the pre-reception with district leadership

### **GOLF TOURNAMENT**

- Recognized as a diamond sponsor
- Verbal and priority digital recognition at the event
- Organization logo on all event materials
- Two Foursomes
- Hole sponsorship
- Opportunity for a giveaway or promotional materials at event

### CARDBOARD CHALLENGE

- Recognized as a diamond sponsor
- Verbal and priority digital recognition at the event
- Opportunity for 30 second video of your company (produced by company)
- Organization logo on all event materials
- Opportunity for a giveaway or promotional materials at the event

### **CLASSROOM GRANTS**

- Recognition as a supporter
- Opportunity to present checks at schools



















# **INNOVATE CHAMPION-\$50,000-\$74,999**

### **OVERALL BENEFITS**

- Community Champion spotlight story in CCSF newsletter
- Organization listed prominently on CCSF website
- Invitations to special networking events
- Recognition in impact report
- Mention of sponsorship in district newsletter sent to all employees and families

### ADDITIONAL RECOGNITION IN ALL FOUNDATION SOCIAL MEDIA AND EMAIL CAMPAIGNS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.

### **EVENT RECOGNITION**

### GALA/EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR

- Recognized as a platinum sponsor
- Verbal and priority digital recognition during the main and pre-reception event
- Organization logo on all event materials and auction website
- Premium Reserved Seating for up to eight guests including table sign
- Four attendees at the pre-reception with district leadership

### **GOLF TOURNAMENT**

- Recognized as a platinum sponsor
- Verbal and priority digital recognition during the event
- Organization logo on all event materials
- Foursome
- Hole sponsorship
- Opportunity for a giveaway or promotional materials at event

### CARDBOARD CHALLENGE

- Recognized as a platinum sponsor
- Verbal and priority digital recognition at the event
- Organization logo on all event materials
- Opportunity for a giveaway or promotional materials at the event

### **CLASSROOM GRANTS**

- Recognition as a supporter
- Opportunity to present checks at schools

"Thanks again for supporting teachers and students in learning innovatively and helping teachers prepare our students for the future."

- Pat Dickerson, Falcon Creek Middle School



### **OVERALL BENEFITS**

- Community Champion spotlight story in CCSF newsletter
- Organization logo on CCSF website
- Invitations to special networking events
- Recognition in impact report

### ADDITIONAL RECOGNITION IN ALL FOUNDATION SOCIAL MEDIA AND EMAIL CAMPAIGNS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.

### **EVENT RECOGNITION**

### GALA/EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR

- Recognized as a gold sponsor
- Verbal and priority digital recognition during the main and pre-reception event
- Organization logo on all event materials and auction website
- Premium reserved seating for up to eight guests including table sign
- Four attendees at pre-reception with district leadership

### **GOLF TOURNAMENT**

- Recognized as a gold sponsor
- Verbal and digital recognition at the event
- Organization logo on all event materials
- Foursome
- Hole sponsorship
- Opportunity for a giveaway or promotional materials at event

### CARDBOARD CHALLENGE

- Recognized as a gold sponsor
- Verbal and digital recognition at the event
- Organization logo on all event materials
- Opportunity for a giveaway or promotional materials at the event

### **CLASSROOM GRANTS**

- Recognition as a supporter
- Opportunity to present checks at schools







# **OPPORTUNITY CHAMPION-\$10,000-\$24,999**

### **OVERALL BENEFITS**

- Organization listed on CCSF website
- Recognition in impact report

ADDITIONAL RECOGNITION IN FOUNDATION SOCIAL MEDIA AND EMAIL CAMPAIGNS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.

### **EVENT RECOGNITION**

### GALA/EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR

- Recognized as a silver sponsor
- Verbal and priority digital recognition during the pre-reception and main event
- Organization logo on all event materials and auction website
- Reserved seating for up to 6 guests including table sign
- Four attendees at pre-reception with district leadership

### **GOLF TOURNAMENT**

- Recognized as a silver sponsor
- Organization logo on all event materials
- Foursome

### CARDBOARD CHALLENGE

- Recognized as a silver sponsor
- Verbal and digital recognition at the event
- Organization logo on all event materials
- Opportunity for a giveaway or promotional materials at the event

### **CLASSROOM GRANTS**

Recognition as a supporter

"Thank you again for the opportunity and the great resources that made my portable Lego wall a reality. The students love it. "

- Celeste Deal, Mission Viejo Elementary









# **ADVOCATE CHAMPION-\$5,000-\$9,999**

### **OVERALL BENEFITS**

- Organization name listed on CCSF website
- Recognition in impact report

ADDITIONAL RECOGNITION IN FOUNDATION SOCIAL MEDIA AND EMAIL CAMPAIGNS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.

### **EVENT RECOGNITION**

### GALA/EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR

- Recognized as a bronze sponsor
- Digital recognition at the main event
- Organization logo on all event materials
- Reserved seating for up to six guests including table sign
- Two attendees at pre-reception with district leadership

### **GOLF TOURNAMENT**

- Recognized as a bronze sponsor
- Digital recognition at the event
- Organization name on all event materials
- Opportunity for a giveaway or promotional materials at event

### CARDBOARD CHALLENGE

- Recognized as a bronze sponsor
- Digital recognition at the event
- Organization name on all event materials
- Opportunity for a giveaway or promotional materials at the event

### **CLASSROOM GRANTS**

Recognized as a supporter

"Thank you so much again for offering us this grant for Flocabulary! We are so grateful for your generosity!"

- Lauren Wiegand, Polton Elementary School







# **AMBASSADOR CHAMPION-\$2500-\$4999**

### **OVERALL BENEFITS**

- Organization listed on CCSF website
- Recognition in impact report

ADDITIONAL RECOGNITION IN FOUNDATION SOCIAL MEDIA AND EMAIL CAMPAIGNS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.

### **EVENT RECOGNITION**

### GALA/EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR

- Recognized as a supporter
- Digital recognition at the main event
- Reserved seating for up to four guests

### **GOLF TOURNAMENT**

- Digital recognition at the event
- Organization name on all event materials

### CARDBOARD CHALLENGE

- Recognized as a supporter
- Digital recognition at the event
- Organization name on all event materials

### **CLASSROOM GRANTS**

Recognition as a supporter

THE FOUNDATION ACCEPTS DONATIONS AND SPONSORSHIPS OF ALL SIZES AND EVERY DOLLAR MAKES A DIFFERENCE IN THE LIFE OF A STUDENT. PLEASE CONTACT THE FOUNDATION FOR MORE INFORMATION ON HOW YOUR ORGANIZATION CAN CONTRIBUTE.

